



Energy Policy Act of 2005 — Section 1813 Study on Indian Land Rights-of-Way

Departments of Energy and the Interior

**Public Meeting – April 18-20, 2006
Hyatt Regency – 650 Fifteenth Street, Denver, Colorado**

Draft Process Summary

Note: This document summarizes the process of the Department of Energy and Department of Interior public meeting. A complete transcript of the meeting will be available in May at <http://1813.anl.gov/>. Several PowerPoint presentations from this meeting are available at <http://1813.anl.gov/> (open the “documents” tab on the home page).

April 18, 2006

Welcome

- Bob Middleton, Department of Interior (DOI), welcomed participants and introduced Colorado Governor Bill Owens
- Governor Bill Owens welcomed participants to Colorado.

Department of Energy and Department of Interior Process

- David Meyer, Department of Energy (DOE), presented the process for developing the study outlined in the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Section 1813
- Question and Answer session

Updates on On-Going Work

Presentations on efforts to gather and provide data to the Departments from:

- Council of Energy Resource Tribes, David Lester.
- Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, Margie Schaff.
- Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, Joan Dreskin.
- Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Bob Middleton (*presented the effort of the Historical Research Associates in collecting and verifying information from tribes who volunteered cases at the March meeting*).
- Edison Electric Institute, Meg Hunt.
- FAIR Access to Energy Coalition, Lisa Cameron and Jay Shepard
- Independent Tribal Case Study Group: Morongo Band of Mission Indians, John Muncy; Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Tom Shipps & Robert Zahradnik
- Questions and Answers.

Caucuses

Participants were given an opportunity for caucuses following the lunch break and prior to the plenary session. These caucuses were self-initiated.

On-Going Work Efforts – Plenary Session

The last session of the day was a plenary session for further discussion of current work efforts and clarification, and to provide more data for the study to the Departments.

April 19, 2006

Welcome

- Bob Middleton welcomed participants and introduced Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell.
- Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell welcomed participants.

ROW Land Appraisal and Negotiation Experience - Presentations

- DOI Appraisal Services Directorate, Kathryn Gearheard
- Bonneville Power Administration - Marian Wolcott and Sonya Tetnowski
- El Paso Natural Gas, Dave Anderson
- Navajo Tribe, Paul Frye and Southern Ute Tribe, Tom Shipps

Relevant National Energy Transportation Policies

- Argonne National laboratory, Liz Hocking, presented the list of relevant energy transportation policies they have identified.
- Department of Energy, David Meyers, presented the status of the West-wide Corridor Study conducted pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Section 368.

Caucuses

Participants were given an opportunity to caucus prior to the lunch break.

ROW Land Appraisal and Negotiation Experience – Plenary

Individuals participated in a plenary session to dialogue on ROW land appraisal and negotiation experience.

Additional Presentations and Comments

This session provided an opportunity for participants to formally present additional information or clarification. Individuals signed up prior to the session. The following people spoke:

- Tom Sansonetti, FAIR Access to Energy Coalition
- Ahmed Kooros
- Cory Gardner, Colorado State Representative
- Greg Brophy, Colorado State Representative
- Sean Mitchell, Colorado State Senator
- Jeff Crank
- Reid Chambers, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, LLP
- Kassel Weeks, Shoshone Tribe

April 20, 2006

Welcome and Recap

- Bob Middleton, DOI, welcomed participants and recapped the Departments' next steps.

Plenary Session

This final plenary session provided an opportunity to communicate further information.

Next Steps

- **May 15th** - Materials due to DOE/DOI - submittals should be sent to IEED@bia.edu will be posted on the website (<http://1813.anl.gov>)
- **June 15th** - DOE/DOI will release the draft study and begin a 30 day comment period
- **July 10th -19th** – DOE/DOI will hold 3-4 Tribal consultation meetings (tentatively in Albuquerque, Morongo, Portland, and Billings) and 1 public meeting (tentatively in Phoenix, Arizona)
- **July 24th** – Comments due on the draft study
- **July 24th -August 6th** – DOE/DOI will read comments and revise the study
- **August 7th** – DOE/DOI will submit the study to Congress